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This application contains sequence disclosures that are encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences set forth in 37 C.F.R. 4 1.821(a)(1) and (a)(2). However, this application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 44 1.821-1.825 for the reason(s) set forth: For example, the amino acid sequence 'LPXTG' on page 19 of the specification contains more than four amino acid residues, yet lacks a proper sequence identifier for the recited sequence. Applicant must comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) before the application can be examined under 35 U.S.C. §4 131 and 132.

APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER WITHIN WHICH TO COMPLY WITH THE SEQUENCE RULES, 37 C.F.R. 44 1.821-1.825. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in ABANDONMENT of the application under 37 C.F.R. § 1,821(g). Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1 136. In no case may an applicant extend the period for response beyond the six month statutory period. Direct the response to the undersigned. Applicant is requested to return a copy of the attached Notice to Comply with the response.

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If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Shanon Foley, can be reached on (571) 272-0898.

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